

The sports clothes show that President Truman is on a vacation -- but

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official duties are no respecter of holidays -- for by regular plane

comes a leather pouch from Washington -- check full of work that has

trailed him like a bird dog. In his office in the Little White House

in Key West the President dictates to a Navy yeoman. The holiday

WORLD NEWS

To London Airport the Star of Edinburgh brings Frank Sinatra with new wife Ava Gardner to keep a promise to the Duke of Edinburgh and sing at the Midnight Matinee in aid of the National Playing Fields Association of which the Duke of Edinburgh is President; it's a full house at the Coliseum to see a star-spangled programme which the newsreels aren't allowed to film. This looks like the right cigar but the wrong gent! Anyway, it's £17,000 in the kitty as Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh take their seats for the show. But whilst the show was on thieves robbed Frankie and Ava who had come so far to help such a good cause.

ITALY

Hard hit in the vast Italian floods is Lerec. Trains are still cut off from this district, one of the most fertile in all Italy. Landing-craft manned by Italian marines pick up the trapped people, but getting the stock onboard is no easy job. So far there's no close estimate of the stock losses in the vast floods which have hit northern Italy. All the rescuers can do is to take them to high ground and hope that the floods will have cleared before they run out of fodder.

AMERICA

Holiday at Key West, Florida, is still a busy time for President Truman as work arrives from Washington daily by plane. Here, in the office of the little White House, the President deals with important matters, dictating to a naval yeoman. With Korean truce talks hanging fire, Mr. Truman informs Washington that he's returning a week earlier to lend a hand.

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won't last much longer, because Congress returns from its own
vacation January Eighth, and Winston Churchill is also expected
in Washington.